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Each year the Office of Indian Education holds a Project Directors Meeting for all of the OIE discretionary grant project directors and their teams. This year's event was held virtually, as it as been the past three years, which allowed grantee teams to participate in the three-day conference at no cost. Each day kicked off with an inspirational keynote featuring speakers such as OIE Director Julian Guerrero, professor and mindfulness expert Dr. Michael Yellowbird, and Indigenous language revitalization and education expert Dr. Kari Chew. Over the course of the three days, grantee teams had access to 24 engaging and educational breakout sessions featuring subject matter experts, Department of Education staff, and fellow grantees. Between all these live sessions, participants could also view 17 recorded, on-demand learning sessions and network with peers through custom matchmaking and topical roundtable discussions. Overall, 412 participants were able to engage in this year's event!

Don't worry if you weren't able to attend live; we recorded all the sessions and have them posted on the <u>OIE YouTube Channel</u> for you to watch at your leisure and share with colleagues. We look forward to hearing which one is your favorite!





THE 2FFICE 2F INDIAN EDUCATION 2023 PROJECT DIRECTORS MEETING





41 LIVE SESSIONS



TOTAL HOURS OF CONTENT (LIVE + ON DEMAND) TOTALING 58.89 HOURS

17 ON-DEMAND SESSIONS

TOTALING 21.72 HOURS

6 RECORDED SESSIONS FROM 2021 OIE PD MEETING 75 MINUTE EACH = 450 MINUTES

7 RECORDED SESSIONS FROM 2022 OIE PD MEETING 75 MINUTE EACH = 525 MINUTES

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ATTENDANCE

412 UNIQUE INDIVIDUALS ATTENDED



254 UNIQUE INDIVIDUALS ASSOCIATED WITH A GRANT ATTENDED, REPRESENTING 177 ORGANIZATIONS



OF OUR STUDENT ARTISTS/ THEIR FAMILIES LOGGED INTO SEE THEIR WORK AND/OR VIEW THE OPENING SESSION



80 POSTS ON THE SOCIAL WALL



1860 UNIQUE "SWAG BAG" DOWNLOADS

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ALL SESSIONS RATED 4.0 OR ABOVE ON 5-STAR RATING

AVERAGE RATING FOR ALL LIVE SESSIONS:



AVERAGE RATING FOR ALL PRERECORDED SESSIONS: 4.73

SURVEY RESPONDENTS INDICATED HIGH OVERALL SATISFACTION ON A 5-POINT RATING SCALE

WHERE 1 = STRONGLY DISAGREE AND 5 = STRONGLY AGREE

- *** The Project Directors Meeting met my expectations = 4.29
 The session strands (Leadership and Management, Evidence and Evaluation, Promising Practices and Programs) were appropriate and relevant = 4.34
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- I developed new knowledge and skills that will help me with my work = 4.32 I felt engaged throughout the event = 4.14
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I feel better prepared to successfully manage my OIE grant project(s) as a result of the Project Directors Meeting = **4.03**

All types of sessions were rated 4.07 or above on a 5-point scale where 1 = poor and 5 = excellent

- Keynotes = **4.38**
- Sessions on Leadership and Management = 4.29

Sessions on Evidence and Evaluation = 4.33

- Sessions on Promising Practices and Programs = 4.41
- Networking Opportunities: = 4.07





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"This was a wonderful experience; congratulations. I wonder if it might be possible to host it twice a year--there was so much to take in while still attending work meetings, etc."

"Ya'at'eeh, hello all! We were encouraged to use the chat or discussion board! It's beautiful to see everyone sharing and helping each other out."

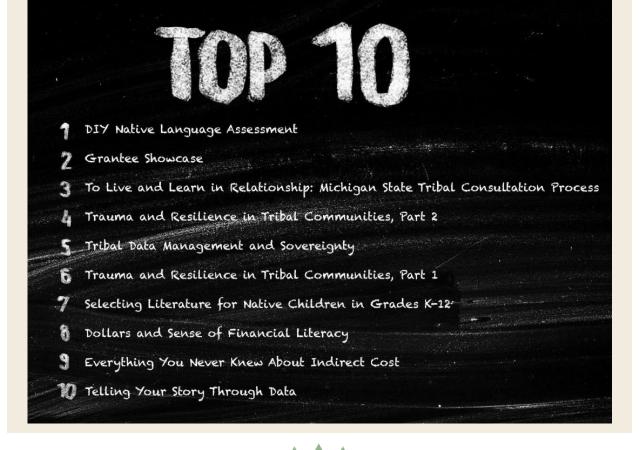
"This was awesome. What fantastic work is being accomplished. I really enjoyed the Grantee Showcase presentation. Kudos to all of the grantees who took time to develop presentations and share. Truly awesome and inspiring work!"

"Amazing programs and projects. Very inspiring. I enjoyed hearing the experiences, challenges and over all rewards of the hard work. Lots of great ideas on improving outreach and recruiting. Thank you!"



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At the conclusion of each year's event, participants are surveyed regarding what sessions were the most beneficial, key takeaways and lessons learned, what worked well, and areas where we can continue to improve. If you are wondering where to start with your viewing, check out the Top 10 list below of the most highly rated sessions from this year's event. While all sessions were rated a 4.0 or above on a 5.0 scale, the Top 10 really tipped the scales. Sessions cover everything from data to Native language to tribal consultation to trauma. A little something for everyone!



Featured Grantees

A highlight of each year's Project Directors Meeting are the sessions led by and featuring OIE grantees from across Indian Country. This year's event included:

- Mashpee Wampanoag Tribe's State Tribal Education Partnership (STEP) grant program
- NACA-Inspired Schools Network's Accessing Choices in Education (ACE) grant program
- Navajo Preparatory School's Native American Language (NAL@ED) grant program
- University of North Carolina at Pembroke's Professional Development (PD) grant program
- University of Oregon's Professional Development (PD) grant program

• Yukon Koyukuk School District's Accessing Choices in Education (ACE) grant program Grantees shared the successes, challenges, and accomplishments of their unique programs through stories, photos, and data. You can learn more about their programs in sessions like <u>DIY Native</u> <u>Language Assessment</u> and the <u>Grantee Showcase</u>.

Next Year's Project Directors Meeting

We have already begun planning for next year's meeting and continue to strive for a bigger and better event. We would love to know what sessions would be of interest and most value to all our grantees and the field. Do you know an intriguing potential keynote speaker? Have an idea for an amazing breakout session or presenter? Maybe you, or your program, would like the opportunity to present. Please send your thoughts, ideas, interests, and questions to the OIE Technical Assistance Team at <u>OIE@ seiservices.com</u>.





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